CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY and EVALUATION OF NOMINEES FOR

THE GOVERNOR'S PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Eligibility Criteria:

A. A faculty member must be a full-time faculty member of the nominating institution with a substantial record of experience and excellence in teaching at the institution.

B. A faculty member who has previously been selected a Governor's Professor of the Year is ineligible to be nominated or to receive the award again in either the two-year or four-year category.

Evaluation Criteria:

A. Depth, specificity, and quality of the evidence that is indicative of outstanding teaching. This should include detailed information on the individual's teaching performance. Examples of specific evidence might include creative or innovative teaching methods or exceptional skill in involving the students in active rather than passive learning activities.

B. Variety of sources and diversity of documentation that describe the candidate's teaching excellence. This must include the most recent year's summary of student course evaluations. It may also include, but is not limited to, the following: outstanding teaching awards, documented excellence in student academic advising processes, appraisals of professional colleagues, magazine and newspaper articles on the nominee's teaching accomplishments, pre- to post-test gains in student outcomes, and results of tracking of graduates.

C. Involvement in professional activities that complement and enhance the candidate's teaching credentials. Such activities might include committee assignments, research grants, publications, and/or activities related to academic advisement, faculty development, public service, and professional organizations.

D. Proper submission of nominating materials. The nominee's institution correctly followed the nomination guidelines and submitted the materials by the established deadline.

E. Nominating materials are limited to a total of five (5) pages in length, using standard margins and a minimum font of 12.